AN ACT

SENATE BILL NO. 83

BY SENATOR APPEL

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2	To amend and reenact R.S. 17:24.4(F)(2) and (3)(a), relative to the Louisiana Competency-
3	Based Education Program; to provide with respect to test type options as part of the
4	Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 17:24.4(F)(2) and (3)(a) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
7	as follows:
8	§24.4. Louisiana Competency-Based Education Program; statewide standards for
9	required subjects; Louisiana Educational Assessment Program; parish
10	or city school board comprehensive pupil progression plans; waivers
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12	F. * * *
13	(2) Beginning with the <del>1998-1999</del> <b>2010-2011</b> school year and each year
14	thereafter, the Louisiana Educational Assessment Program shall include one
15	criterion-referenced test, one national norm-referenced test, or one augmented
16	norm-referenced test, which shall be given to students statewide in grades three,
17	five, six, seven, and nine. The National Assessment of Educational Progress shall be
18	administered, if it is available, to at least a sample of fourth and eighth grade
19	students.
20	(3)(a) In lieu of the criterion-referenced tests prescribed in Subparagraphs
21	(1)(c) and (d) of this Subsection and the norm-referenced tests prescribed in
22	Paragraph (2) of this Subsection and beginning no later than July 1, 2000, an
23	alternate assessment shall be provided for and administered only to those students

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with disabilities who meet specific eligibility criteria developed by the state Department of Education and approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. A determination of whether any student meets the eligibility criteria established by the state Department of Education shall be made by the student's Individual Education Plan committee and shall be so noted on that student's Individual Education Plan. The alternate assessment developed pursuant to this Paragraph shall be administered on a schedule determined by the state Department of Education and approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. The alternate assessment shall be part of the Louisiana Education Assessment Program otherwise provided for in this Subsection and the alternate assessment shall be used for information, accountability, compliance, and planning purposes as provided by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_